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The Philippines in the Senate.

There should be no particular scarcity of interesting oratory on the floor of the Senate from this time on. There is not only the currency question to impart pleasurable excitement to the proceedings, but the important one of our colonial policy. In a loose way, a part of the press refers to this matter as a fight over the issue of expansion, but without reason. Irrevocably accomplished facts cannot constitute an issue, any more in the case of our recently acquired and legally incorporated insular possessions, than in that of the rule of three. Both are res adjudicata.

But the faction which calls itself "antiimperialist" does not recognize anything displeasing to its views or wishes. With in the existence of a galaxy of Malay Washingtons, Lafayettes, and Lincolns a "Filipino republic," and the divine right of mutineers, "battling for liberty," to torture and butcher helpless prisoners. its no less venerated friend. Paul Kruger. it regards the earth as flat, and otherwise lives in a past so remote that its choicest spirits are beginning to fear the couse quences if Mr. McKinley should go mad and attempt to carry out the wild scheme of his predecssor, Jefferson, and proceed to buy the territory of Louisiana from Napo-

be the territory of London from Nagabergunately the American prophe at large are not in the least affected by that general uplies to the london that he header of an eligible of the state of the transmitted and the state of the New England rum thropic horror that springs from a fear that the Chinese tariff protected area of the Union will be extended over new land capable of producing any of the aforementioned things, and perhaps a few others.

ern orator, "it is no use to talk about expansion, because we have done expanded!" But, having reached that grand central station on the air line of manifest destiny, we are bound to pause and take our bearings, that we may see where we are "at!" There are millions of patriotic Americans who are heart and soul with President Mctain the honor of our flag and the dignity of our country, and keep every square inch of soil which has come to us through the ingly described by Eugene Field. Spanish war, who are still greatly displeased with certain features of the colosame, so far, has developed.

eyes of disinterested citizens than the reign mercial treason which has flourished in Lujustice in this country are equally indigoppression has been visited upon the un happy, loyal American community of Porto Rico. The course which has been pursued toward that island, in first cutting off its fusing it access to our own, has been out rageous and disgraceful, as well as uncon-

From the foregoing illustrations, it will not be difficult to conclude that, while expansion is an accomplished fact, and that what we have we intend to and will keep, ession of the Philippine archi pelago, Guam, Hawaii, and Porto Rico does not dispose of all the questions that we must meet, consider, and pass upon in conjection with our colonial empire. And here it may be well to interject the remark that the Administration is likely to find it much harder to gain national consent for the carrying out of its purposes and private deals, based on the fact of possession, than it has been to rally the American people

around the banner of an imperial policy. This will become apparent as the programme of the Administration leaders unfolded in the course of the colonial debate in the Senate. Already, Senator Frye has disclosed a danger point, in his suggestive advocacy of a scheme to buy out the territorial claims of the religious or ders in the Philippines, and to parcel out the lands so purchased among the natives Now if it is the intention of the Administration to make this proposition to Cong ess, it goes without saying, that it will produce strife which will agitate the country from end to end. Everyone knows that the inundation of all the Filipino rebel-

ions for a century past has been the aleged expropriation of private property by he Spanish colonial authorities for the

ise and benefit of the friars. The truth or falsity of the native conention is a question of fact and of law. Perhaps, upon a thorough and impartial investigation, the friars might be shown to have such a title to three-fourths of the arable area of Luzon, as would be conidered good in the case of property in the United States by our courts. But, in the absence of such knowledge, judicially as- imitate one thing will imitate another. certained, there would be violent public opposition to any plan involving purchase of the expropriated property, from those who hold it under a questionable tenure. and sale of the same realty to people who claim that it is already theirs by right, and that they are only withheld from

possession by acts of violent tyrauny. So, it may be observed, that whi'e the furnishing, and policing, on the other hand, is very much so.

Ladysmith and Buller.

The gloom which hovered over London this morning will be partly dispelled by the report from Ladysmith that the Boer asault has been finally repulsed after heavy and almost continuous fighting since Saturday. It is probable, therefore, that the

be very useful. The military column next autumn.

lated, are as follows:

All this is of interest simply as thro light on a certain characteristic of American life. From one point of view, nothing can be more absurd than that a term should come into common use when nine out of ten of the people who use it do not out of ten of the people who use it do not know how it ought to be pronounced. Of course, this must always be the case with a new word for a time, but "table d'hote" whole matter is simply a movement on the Kinley n his just determination to main- has been a term in common use in this a new word for a time, but "table d'hote" country for at least one generation-since the time of "Casey's tabble dote," so feel-

So slight a thing as this is a straw which indicates the general tendency of nial policy of his Administration, as the American life. In this country it is impossible for any class of people to keep a For instance, nothing could be much fashion, a term, or a habit from the use of ore disappointing or detestable in the the multitude. There is no law, written or unwritten; no sentiment, no custom, which of favoritism, corruption, loot, and com- can prevent the factory girl from being as nearly like her employer's daughter as she zon under the regime of persons like Otis can. She may imitate the dress of that and Colonel Denby. And, friends of young lady, she may read the same books, she may speak the same language if she nant over the manner in which Dingley makes up her mind to do so, and she frequently does. There are places where clasdistinctions are recognized frankly by the working people, but in most cases this is due to a large foreign admixture in the Spanish and Cuban markets, and then re- population. The average American intends to dine at a "table d'hote" if he has the noney to pay for it, whether he knows how

pronounce the name or not. There is a good and a bad aspect to this ort of thing. The aping of foreign customs and the endeavor to achieve a sham gentility by the use of large-sounding terms are false and foolish. When an architect builds a lot of shoddy little bouses made o look like the cottages of the rich, and sacrifices substantiality to a tawdry effect, he does wrong. But when he builds a house which is comfortable, honestly constructed, and suited to the needs of the occupants, he ought for the sake of his art to add ail the beautiful effects which he can devise and his employers pay for. He may make that cottage resemble the much finer resi lence of a millionaire at Newport, and he will be doing well, not because a millionaire per se is any better worth imitation han any one else, but because the houses of the rich may easily be worth imitation

for their own sake. The American is quick to seize on any hrase which he thinks indicates a culture uperior to his own. At one time this led sort of thing is disappearing. It will not be long before plain, simple, precise Eng- down autom

ish, which is now spoken by enlightened people, will also be used by those less er lightened. There was a time when the edicated classes thought it necessary to use

and diplomatic phenomena of the world is lican party in the State. The general opinaggressions on her position in India, Egypt, his present term of Mayor of Chicago exand elsewhere, England goes on calmly seizing in neutral waters neutral ships, sourity. For two years he has been a combound to a neutral port. Germany just So, it may be observed, that whi'e the fact that we have bought or otherwise acquired certain houses, lots, hereditaments, and so on, is not open to question, what we are to do with them in the way of repairs, furnishing, and policiag, on the other distribution of the distribution of t

over currency and Filipinos. Nevertheless, we are assured on the authority of the Administration pewspapers that should the Other things besides the repulse of Jou-bert at Ladysmith may have happened Kentucky Legislature seat any Democrats The Canal Commission.—Advocates

of Liverpool, is planning to land 55,600 Finns in the United States and Canada during the coming summer, denies that they are being brought over to take the of Liverpool, is planning to land 55,000 Finns in the United States and Canada during the coming summer, denies that they are being brought over to take the places of Americans working on railroad construction. He says:

"Finhish immigration to America is not the result of a shortage of a supply of rail-road laborers. Thousands of families are emigrating from Finland because they de part of the Finns to benefit their condi-

British Army Pensions

ight be, the soldier would have the legal right recover it, or, in the case of a policy payable death, to dispose of it by will, or to leave it on intestacy to become part of his estate going his family in the usual course of law. Concer the proportion of peace time to war time of the proportion of peace time to war time of the proportion of soldiers killed or disabled the whole number in active service, and it reasonable to expect that actuarial calculations would show that no high premium would because the soldier same token, of being willing to accept a sum large group to provide a same token, of being willing to accept a sum large group to provide a same token, of being willing to accept a sum large group to provide the same token, of being willing to accept the same token.

German Anger Against England.

The Cont of Mnil.

(From the St. Louis Dispatch.)

The thinnest story extant is the one that attributes to British officers the wearing of coats of mail. No soldier would follow an officer mown thus to be encased. No officer should be se foolhardy as to keep his men in the open when he could put them under cover, and he would be a fool himself did he not avail himself of cover when proper. No coats of mail, bewever, no coats of mail.

Equine Humiliation

words. Plain people said they "desired" instead of "wished," and they stopped talking about spades and began to converse about agricultural implements. But this sort of thing is disappearing. It will not be long before plain, simple, precise Eng-

POLITICAL NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Rise and Fall of Harrison.-Illinoi cated and then among the ignorant, the among the Illinoisans in Washington not simpler, straightforward Saxon. The time one has come forward to defend the Chi-will come when foreign words and affected cago man against the charge of deserting phrases will be relegated to their proper the party in time of very sore need by place, and good English will be spoken by refusing longer to be a candidate for govmost of the American people. Those who ernor, now that the prospects for party success have become less flattering than they were before John R. Tanner was in-One of the strangest of the current war duced to get off the back of the Repubthe fact that, notwithstanding her serious ion here is that young Mr. Harrison las entanglements, and the constant menace of copletely destroyed himself, and that when to settle the Kaiser's naval bill and programme out of hand. It is said that even the Socialist group will feel compelled to support the measure, which will provide for creating a great Germany navy. And this situation leads us to wonder if it can possibly be that Wilhelm's grandma is nipping his merchant ships in order to help him get warships from a grudging constituency?

few months ago were willing to concede that Harrison was a Presidential possiblity of large proportions and expansive promise. Accordingly, his comings and goings in the land were watched with intense interest by the steadfast partisans of Colonel Bryan, and the Chicago chroniclers of important events held sharpened pencils poised for action whenever Harrison was supposed to be puckering up his lips to give voice to thoughts that sizzled and surged for expression. But all Is changed now. In the garrison will have another chance, as the attack is not likely to be renewed with like force, in case Sir Redvers Buller is acting vigorously on the Tugela front, as the occa.

Alarming reports that a sauguinary revolution is brewing in Kentucky are lost sight of in the lurid light of South African news, and the struggles in Washington

But all schanged now. In the twinkling of an eye a Democratic hope appears to have been blasted. No one is left to do him honor, and Representative news, and the struggles in Washington

since our last night's reports. As mat- on the ground of their election to the offices of the Nicaragua Canal are unable to clearters seemed to stand this morning, Buller they claim, a bloody riot will be precipily comprehend the meaning of the Walker did not appear able to do much to help his colleague. The diversion he attempted, call for Federal aid. All of which goes to for the avowed purpose of making further in making a demonstration against Colen- show that Mr. Hanna believes he may need investigation into the comparative merits so did not look as if it could the Blue Grass State in the Republican of the Nicaragua and Panama routes. In view of the fact that a few weeks ago the critics in England are inclined to speak of this movement with scorn, and indeed it it not easy to see what the British general expected to accomplish by it. At all good for either dishtheria or appendict. the suspicion that Christian Science is fiot good for either diphtheria or appendicities; at least three deaths under the treatment make it look that way. We trenches empty and the Boers all absent at Ladysmith, Clery's division discovered that the defences were fully manned and impregnable to his force. Buller's despatch rather conveys the idea that this was a surprise to him, though why it should be it is impossible to conceive.

The net situation this morning was, as far as we have been able to learn, that Ladysmith was still in imminent danger unless immediately relieved and that Buller was in a doubtful condition to succor it. The Boers still held inhlawe Mountain, covering his right, and Springfield tain, covering his right, and Springfield of money in the country must be kept up over against his left, with the impassable heights of Colenso in front of him. It is the general opinion in London that he has if ever it is.

ists, as well as against any idea that their purposes are honest. Scratch one of them purposes are honest. Scratch one of them the purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and the series of the purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and the series of the purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and the series of the purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and the series of the wires and transhess told that astute statesman purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and the series of the purposes are honest. Scratch one of them and transhess told that astute statesman purposes, as I am connected with a meal is served, and most of them do not purpose the term. The different pronunciations, so far as tabulandary and also a good place on the Foreign Relations Committee the unailed along the stringers on top of the wire and stransport of the wire and CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—George A. Cullen, diciary Committee. My reason for asking for these assignments is that I have been for these assignments is that I have been York for Western railroads, while admit- intimately associated with Benjamin Har-

Cuba does not sustain the same relations toward us." With regard to the Philippines he is quoted as saying: "As it is now there is nothing to do but secure unquestioned recognition of the American and the larger crops would more than pay the amount of annual expense, as computed above. there is nothing to do but secure unques-tioned recognition of the American flag around with him a mind free from anxiety around with him a mind free from anxiety When that has been done it will be time to discuss what course this country should pursue." Though Governor Stone in the same interview also declared: "I have not changed my ideas with reference to Mr. changed my ideas with reference to Mr. jets here and there through the rows, as Bryan being the nominee of the party and has heretofore been the method, he will do not believe silver will be sidetracked." yet some of Colonel Bryan's more sensitive friends in Washington are interpreting the interview as meaning that the Missourian is preparing to create discord in the party by advocating a policy on the colonial ques-tion diametrically opposed to the Nebras-kan's announced programme. For a conbeing favorable to expansion, and, by the same token, of being willing to accept the nomination for President in the event that Colonel Bryan should persist in his firm declaration to refuse to recant any of his opposition to expansion, even if the party should take a conservative view of that question in its platform. Governor Stone's expressed attitude toward the question is regarded by Colonel Bryan's partisans as a direct bid by the Missourian for the lead-ership without openly avowing hostility to Bryan. The matter promises to result in a combined assault on Stone very shortly from all along Colonel Bryan's entrenched and carefully guarded lines. The Missouri delegation, a large faction of whom are un friendly to Stone, may start the attack in order to inflict injury upon him where it will be the most effective—at home. There is already a spirited contest in Missouri for delegates-at-large to the National Convention and it is supposed that Stones Jerust tion, and it is supposed that Stone's lates' expressions favorable to expansion will be sed by his enemies as evidence of his ho tility to Bryan in order to keep him out of

His Pet Squirrel.

His Pet Squirrel.

(From the New York Commercial Advertiser.)
Two men, who Jooked like downtown merchants, were walking through the park as usual one morning. Many squirrels ran out and saluted, also as usual. But the walkiers only laughed, at last a very lat squirrel hopped off a bench and ran forward.

"That's mine," said one of the merchants.
"That's mine," said one of the merchants.
"That's my boy; see how fat he is."
The big little creature recognized his friend, too, apparently, for it shot out into the roadway and halted to sit up at the man's feet.
"Come up, Fatty."
Fatty ran up the man's leg, over his overcoat to a safe place on his crooked clow, where he got a paunch, mouth, and his hands full of nuts.

SEEN AND HEARD AT THE CAPITOL

There was an unusually large attendance Democrats are saying some very harsh on the floor of the House this morning. ong words and stately phrases, and these things about Mayor Carter Harrison, of and the galleries were filled. It is evident days. Mr. Boutwell is here on private bus gradually supplanted, first among the edu- Chicago. It is an odd circumstance that the real work of legislation has commence

> The Supreme Court was in session today after a two weeks' recess. The usual large crowd of visitors was present.

federate leader, was in the Supreme Court this morning on legal business. Mr. Lee bears quite a resemblance to his distinguished grandfather.

R. E. Lee, a grandson of the famous Con

. . . Hon, John Goode, former Solicitor Gen-

The desk of Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire was nearly hidden from view by a mass of floral decorations this morning. They had been sent by friends here and in New Hampshire as tokens of their which is possession a large and which is not a large and which is

dry weather, and will not work or sway in the heaviest storms.

The frame being up, there is next stretched over it lengths of ordinary chicken fencing woven upon a lathing machine, held together by double strands of wire. The laths are woven one lath's width apart, and they are leaded on the strength of the strength

The laths are woven one lath's width apart, and they said that the Senate would have violated one of its oldest rules had so new a member as the Indiana Senator been given the assignments requested.

Watching Stone.—Former Governor Stone of Missouri has created something of a stir by his latest utterances on the expansion question. In an interview at Chicago yesterday the Missourian said. "I thoroughly approve of the acquirement of Porto Rico by this country, and regret that Cuba does not sustain the same relations."

The laths are woven one lath's width apart, and they are laid on in rolls of 100 laths to a tree, or 50,000 laths to a tree, or 50,000 laths to a tree, or 50,000 laths to an acre.

The cast of the structure is about \$450 per acre. A covering will stand intact, and without substantial repair, for twenty years. Its annual cost, therefore, may be reckoned at \$550, being \$375 as one twentieth part of the actual cost, therefore, may be read machine gun for adoption by the amy. The experiments which have been completed by the army ordnance officers.

The War Department.

The Results of Experiments by the War Department will shortly designate a machine gun for adoption by the army. The experiments which have been conducted with a view to securing for the construction: but even supposing that there may be no losses upon the ourside from frosts or winds in twenty years, then the view to securing for the service a highly efficient machine gun have been completed by the army ordnance officers.

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The Results of Ex

spread smoke, or throwing expensive steam top the cover with light canvas, whereupon the thermometer may safely go as low as it is possible for it to descend in the California valley climate. It will cost many millions of dollars to

ver the orange orchards of California.

THE PERSONAL POSTOFFICES. Many of Them to Be Abolished With-

All "personal postoffices" that can be located by agents of the Third Assistant Postmaster General's office are to be abolished without delay. "Personal" post-offices are those established in out-of-theway places for the exclusive use of a particular firm or industrial enterprise.

out Delay.

The manner in which these postoffices are detrimental to the postal service is best indicated in the story of their operation. A manufacturing concern, for example, ob tains a half hundred signatures to an ap-plication for a postoffice. The station hav-ing been created through the influence of Congressional representatives the firm has one of its employes made postmaster. By law postmasters at fourth-class offices are given the full value of all canceled stamps at a total of \$1,000. Except for the small salary paid an extra clerk, therefore, the promoters of the business enterprise btain free from the government \$1,000 fn stamps, annually

Several such offices have been located and abolished. The number still in cxist-ence cannot, of course, be computed. But the Third Assistant Postmaster of New York is watching closely for the sale of stamps and has active agents all over the country in order to discover and discontinue them as speedily as possible.

Relieving His Feelings.

(From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.)
"And you believe that we must wait a year nager for the twentieth century?"
"Yes, of course, I do."
"Well, all I've got to say is that you are bullheaded expansionist."

IN THE HOTEL CORRIDORS.

Former Governor George S. Boutwell of Massachusetts is, at the Elsmere for a few ness and will return home on Wednesday

Judge E. B. Stahlman, of Nashville, Tenn., is at the Normandie for a few weeks Judge Stahlman is a prominent attorney and is here attending to legal matters.

"I suppose you are freed from the misery of local-option elections here in Washington, and you ought to be glad of it," said J. R. Grainey, of Cincinnati, at the Ra-

guished grandfather.

While Representative Dalzeil was addressing the House this morning upon the Senate resolution disposing of the old Congressional Library space, there were several requests from the rear of the House that he speak louder. Mr. Dalzeil very considerately steroed to the extreme rear of tree Republican side and continued his remarks.

Representatives Jett and Livingston appeared this morning, each wearing a spotless white the. Notwithstanding the extremely vernal aspect of the weather these ties caused the colleagues of Messrs. Jett and Livingston to chide the latter for introducing the "Shiyers" in the Huga. ties caused the colleagues of Messrs. Jett and Livingtson to chide the latter for introducing the "shivers" in the House.

The seats of Representatives De Armond, Cochran, and Sulzer were vacant this morning. These gentlemen have gone to deliver speeches at banquets held in honor of "Old Hickory."

Representative Morris has the reputation of being one of the handsomest men in the House. He has clear-cut features, and immediately attracts the glances of visitors to the galleries.

Representative Wheeler appeard this morning wearing a resplendent cardinal red necktie, which drew to the Kentuckian many admiring eyes. Messrs Wheeler and Henry are regarded as the Damon and Pythias, of the House, and may be seen every day arm in arm walking down F Street.

Of the engineer who laid out the town, and I'll tell you how he did it. In October last the town council voted to have the village incorporated, and as the license men were in office the engineer received certain instructions which he carried out. He made a survey which included the property of every license man in Culloden and carefully excluded the 'dry year advocates who voted for no license. Every anti-license man was placed outside the limits of the corporation and therefore he house are drawn so as to include the 'wet' voters on each street and to exclude the 'dry' men, and the town boundary is the funnished. The plant the world come appeals of our consuls, whose shrewd native beginess capacity has discovered golden fields of investment waiting for the sixtle of the invitive saint of the corporation and therefore he have gone and the form the tobacco outside the tengine a handful of hay, which the smell of tobacco smoke by placing in it a pail of water tobacco. In Paraguay ectton grows the whole year round, and from one planting the back of the hirthy capitalite.

From all around the world come appeals of our consults, whose shrewd native beginess capacity has discovered golden fields of investment waiting for the sixtle of the individual the own boundary is

"One thing that struck me as being very Hon, John Goode, former Solicitor General of the United States, was at the Capitol this morning on business before the committees. Though near the three score and ten mark Mr. Goode appears particularly agile and vigorous.

Senator Clark's friends were this morns good thing, but it seems very ludicrous to me. Why, I noticed several little brutes to me. Why, I noticed several little brutes who were about as ferce and dangerous as who were about as ferce and dangerous as Senator Clark's friends were this morning congratulating him upon his victory in the courts, where he has recently been engaged in a lawsuit, over some of his Montana mining property. The copper that issues from Senator Clark's mines is said to be the purest in the world, averaging about 98 per cent.

Judge Shipman, a prominent attorney of Coldwater, Mich., was at the Capitol this morning looking up the Representatives from his State

Ambrose Bierce, the veteran journalist, is at the Ebbit' from San Francisco. Mr. Bierce is here for a rest, and will receive "impressions" at the Capitol for a few weeks.

The desk of Senator Gallinger of New

pease, and in the seven years of the life

omatic guns were tested competitively, but the report of the officers who made the experiments at Springfield has not been reeived at Washington as yet

It is learned, however, that the performances of the Colt and Hotchkiss pieces were very satisfactory, and that the Maxim and Carr pieces burst before the experiments had reached the stage of the endurance test, the Carr gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides, but the will not connection is a great the Carr gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides, but the will not connection to a great the carry gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides, but the will not be the carry gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides, but the will not be the carry gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides, but the will not be the carry gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides. But the will not be the carry gun failing when less than 10e structing its line on both sides of the Bosporous has been talked of many times. There is large traffic between the sides of the Bosporous has been talked of many times. There is large traffic between the sides of the Bosporous has been talked of many times. There is large traffic between the sides of the Bosporous has been talked of many times. There is large traffic between the sides of the Bosporous has been talked of many times. rounds had been fired from it. The Hotchkiss and Colt pieces were subjected to ex-tremely severe endurance tests, and their performances were admirable.

The Hotchkiss gus fired 450 rounds in five minutes, and the manufacturers claim that the gun could have been made ready for another such test within five minutes thereafter. The performance of the Colt gun under the endurance test was very satis-factory, and it is the opinion of some that this gun will be selected for the army.

CURRENT HUMOR.

More Conditional. (From the Ohio State Journal,) At the marriage of a colored couple the other day, the bride was asked to love, honor, obey, etc., the man she held by the right hand. She quickly responded:

'I will jus' as long as he treats me right, an' den after dat I'll quit 'im.'

The Cheerful Idiot.

NOTES OF THE DAY.

Every horticulturist in and around Lyons has at east 1,900 to 1,500 different varieties of chrysau-

The length of the world's railways is more than

Recently the mining town of Mapini, Durango-celebrated its three hundredth anniversary, having been founded in 1508. Abyseinia has a telephone line 300 miles long connecting the capital and the important cities. It was constructed by a Franco-Russian company.

Although closely guarded at the diamond mines the native miners succeed annually in stealing

The Russian budget estimate for public edu-cation for the coming year is 31,00,000 roubles, or, in round numbers, about \$24,000,000. This is about four times the sum that the State of Pennsylvania annually appropriates for pub-lic education.

To prevent the sides of a bed from spreading

Tunneling under the Bosporous has been talked

There died last month, says the "Chicago Tribune," a man who had done much to shake belief in the legend of Jonah. William Simpson de-voted his life to a study of the narrative, and

The Prince of Monaco is so far the only reign ing sovereign who may be said to have publicly espoused the cause of the Transvaal against Great Britain, says a correspondent, for he has sent to Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal agent at Paris, a large The Cheerful Idiot.

(From the Indianapolis Press.)

"The question of the century—" began the Prosy Bearder.

"Is, when does it end?" said the Cheerful Idiot, and the rest of the boarders cast on him grateful looks, for, perhaps, the first time.

Britain, says a correspondent, for me may be resulted for the relief of the wounded on the subscription for the relief of the wounded on the subscription for the relief of the wounded on the prospection of the relief of the wounded on the relief of the wounded o subscription for the relief of the wounded on the him grateful looks, for, perhaps, the first time.

A Cheerful Christmas Letter.

(From the Atlanta Constitution.)

A correspondent sends us a copy of a letter which was forwarded from Georgia to Texas:

"Dear John—It is most Christmas. It will be here, if nuthin' happens, on the 25th of this month, as usual, John, this is wrote to tell you the news at home. Your Encle Bill is dead. So is your Aunt Jane. Also your two cousins air dead. Likewise Mandy Wilkins, what wuz goin' to marry you Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your friends air in jail &. naonshin'. Your father has broke his leg on a railroad, an' most of your you've day. John, I hope these few lines will fin' you well an' happy, as' I wish you a merry Christmas from the bottom of my heart."

HIS Turn.

(From the Philadelphia North American.)

"Pa," said the small boy, his eyes looking longingly at the new mechanical top, "you've showed me how to work it how for an hour. Let me try."

HIS Turn.